



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2880**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Naoki Hanashima et al.
Application No. : 10/702,136
Filed : November 5, 2003
For : WAVEGUIDE-EMBEDDED OPTICAL CIRCUIT AND OPTICAL
FUNCTIONAL ELEMENT USED THEREIN

Examiner : Jerry M. Blevins
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Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2005, please extend the period of time for response three months, to expire on January 29, 2006. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.